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NEWS RELEASE

United States Attorney Michael L. Levy announced the filing of an indictment¹ against Jose Augustin Rivas-Velasquez, a/k/a “Jose Augustin Rivas,” a/k/a “Francisco Hernandez,” a/k/a “Jose Rivas,” a/k/a “Juan Velasquez,” a/k/a “Nelson Prieto,” a/k/a “Saul Enrique Ruiz-Bogarin”, charging him with one count of illegal re-entry after deportation following aggravated felony conviction in violation of Title 8, United States Code, Section 1326(a) and (b)(2). The indictment alleges that on or about June 30, 2009, Jose Augustin Rivas-Velasquez was found in the United States after having been deported from the United States on or about August 8, 1996.

If convicted, Jose Augustin Rivas-Velasquez faces a maximum 20 year term of imprisonment, 3 years supervised release, a \$250,000 fine, and a \$100 special assessment.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	YEAR OF BIRTH
Jose Augustin Rivas-Velasquez	Reading, PA	1966

The case was investigated by the Secretary of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (“ICE”) and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Jessica Natali.

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